GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Railway Hospitals/Medical Colleges
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the railways proposes to set up five medical colleges in the country;
(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
(c) whether the railways has any proposal to construct railway hospitals in the country and if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) & (b) The then Hon'ble Minister of Railways during her Budget speech 2009-10 had announced "Medical colleges are planned to be established attached to existing railway hospitals through PPP, to give higher education facilities to new generation of railway children" at 18 locations i.e. at Chennai (Tamil Nadu), Hyderabad (erstwhile Andhra Pradesh), Bilaspur (Chhattisgarh), Lucknow (Uttar Pradesh), Barasat (West Bengal), Bhubaneswar (Odisha), Mysore (Karnataka), Kharagpur (West Bengal), Guwahati (Assam), Dibrugarh (Assam), Jodhpur (Rajasthan), Gardenreach (West Bengal), Nagpur (Maharashtra),
Ahmedabad (Gujarat), B.R. Singh Hospital (West Bengal), Bhopal (Madhya Pradesh), Jammu (Jammu & Kashmir) and Trivandrum (Kerala). As per Medical Council of India rules, Public Private Partnership (PPP) with Government (Railway) hospital is not permitted. This Ministry have, therefore, dropped the proposal of setting up of Railway Medical Colleges.
(c) & (d) Yes, Madam. A proposal for setting up of a Health Unit at Katra (Jammu & Kashmir) on Northern Railway has been approved.
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